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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Dear Madam:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 28, 2003, please consider the following comments

Introductory Comments

In the first Office Action, the independent claims 1, 36, 51, 58, 59, 60, 66, 69, and 72, along with certain dependent claims have been rejected under section 102 as being anticipated by Sun. Certain other dependent claims have been rejected under section 103 based on Sun in view of Ganesan. Applicant's filed a Response and Amendment offering amendments and comments that distinguished Sun from Applicants' claimed subject matter. In the final Office Action the rejection of all claims was maintained and a final office action has issued. Applicant's provided additional distinguishing comments in its second Response. A telephone interview was then conducted on March 10, 2004 between Kevin McEnaney and Examiner Vargas. The amendments herein to claims 1, 36, 51, 58, 59, 60, 66, 69, and 72, adopt suggestions made by the Examiner. Claims 1-62, 64-67, 69-70, and 72-76 remain under consideration.